



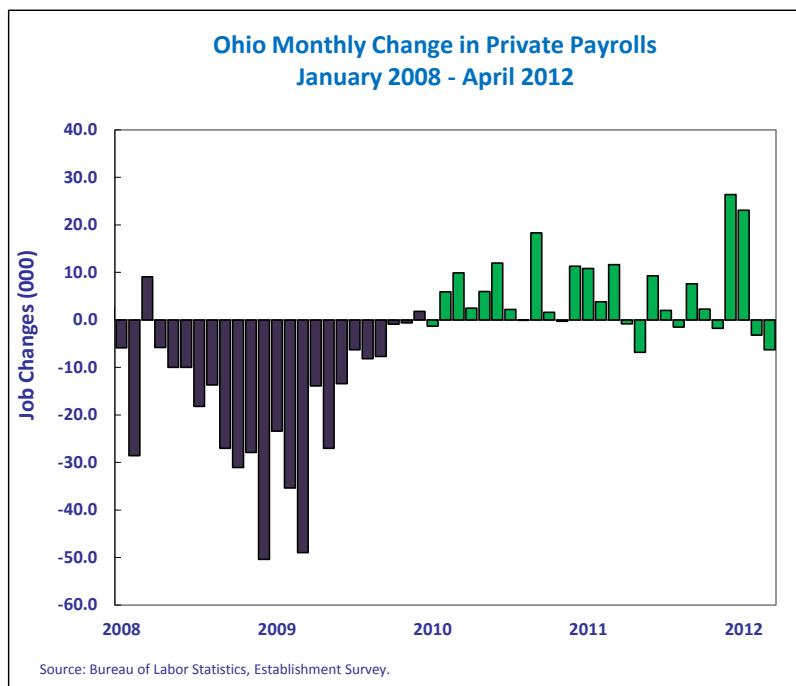
## Economic Overview And Outlook: Ohio

### JOBS

- Including April, the private sector has gained jobs nationwide for 26 consecutive months.
- In Ohio, private sector employment fell by 8.7 percent from January 2008 to February 2010. Since February 2010, private sector employment has grown by 3.5 percent.
- In Ohio, employees in the manufacturing, construction, and professional and business services sectors faced the largest job losses (as a percent of employment within an industry) over the recession. Since the beginning of 2010, the following sectors in Ohio have experienced the greatest employment increases: professional and business services; manufacturing; and education and health services.\*
- As the economy continues its emergence from the Great Recession, service-providing industries are projected to add the most jobs between 2010 and 2020. The largest gains over this period are expected to occur in the healthcare and social assistance, professional and business services, and retail trade sectors. Job gains in the goods-producing sector of the economy will be led by the construction and mining industries while the number of manufacturing jobs is expected to fall.

### EMPLOYMENT

- The unemployment rate in Ohio was 7.4 percent in April 2012, up 1.7 percentage points from December 2007, but down from its most recent peak of 10.6 percent in January 2010.
- 431,000 Ohio residents were counted among the unemployed in Ohio during April 2012.
- In Ohio, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits totaled 52,254 during April, up 2.9 percent from the previous month. Since peaking at 122,356 in February 2009, initial claims for unemployment insurance benefits in Ohio have declined by 57.3 percent.



### EARNINGS

- Between the start of the recession in the 4th quarter of 2007 and the 3rd quarter of 2009, inflation-adjusted total personal income in the United States declined 4.6 percent. Most recently, in the 4th quarter of 2011, total personal income is 0.9 percent above its 4th quarter of 2007 level.

- Real per capita personal income (in 2005 \$) in Ohio was \$33,351.70 in the 4th quarter of 2011, up from \$31,808.70 in the 4th quarter of 2009.

### HOUSING

- After peaking in the first quarter of 2007, national home prices declined by 16.6 percent over 17 quarters. Between the second quarter of 2011 and the fourth quarter of 2011, the most recent quarter, national home prices rose by 1.4 percent.
- In Ohio, home prices fell by 10.2 percent over 17 quarters from their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Since the second quarter of 2011, home prices in Ohio have risen by 1.9 percent.
- As of the 1st quarter of 2012, 5.0 percent of all mortgages, including 11.9 percent of subprime mortgages, were in foreclosure in Ohio.
- Housing starts in Ohio totaled 12,920 units (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in March 2012, an increase of 5.9 percent from February.
- Within the Midwest census region, which includes Ohio, sales of new single-family homes totaled 36,000 units in March 2012, a decrease of 20.0 percent from February. Sales of existing single-family homes remained steady at 960,000 units (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) from February to March 2012.

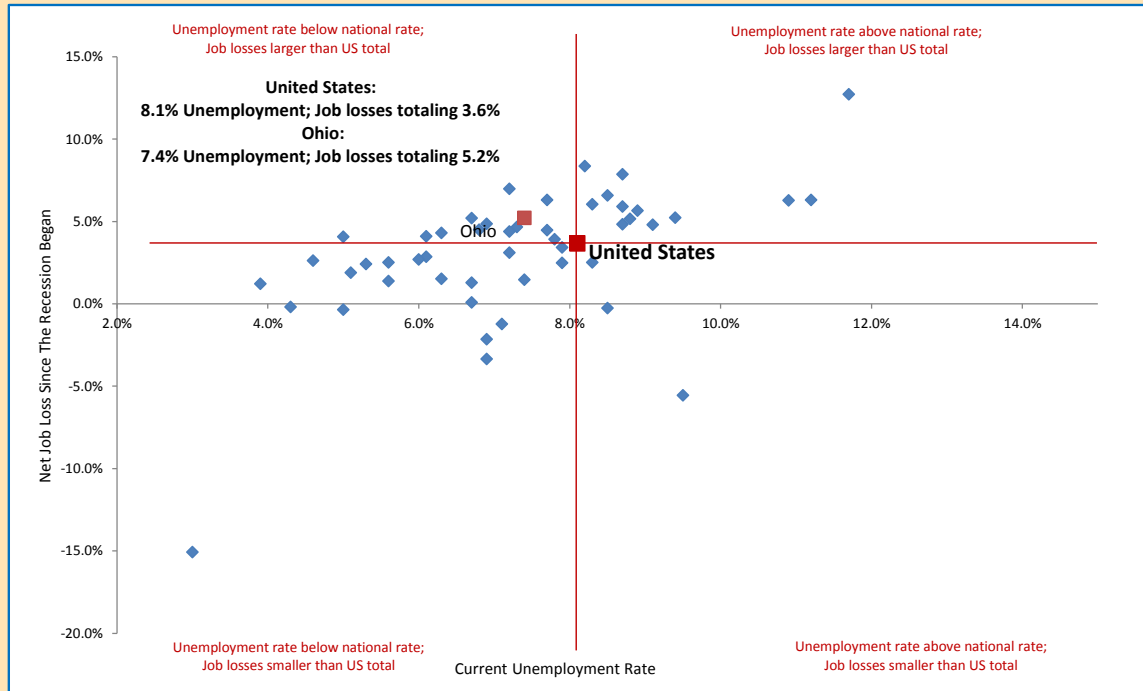
\* For Ohio-specific labor sector statistics, please refer to the Ohio office: <http://lmi.state.oh.us/data.htm>

## How Does Ohio Compare To Other States?

Workers across the country were hard hit during the Great Recession. Although labor markets in many states have started recovering, employment in most states still remains below pre-recession levels. The chart below allows you to compare Ohio to other states using two metrics.

The current unemployment rate (measured along the horizontal axis) serves as a gauge of current labor market conditions faced by residents, while the proportion of jobs lost within Ohio since the start of the recession (shown along the vertical axis) measures the toll the recession took on the job supply in Ohio.

States falling in the upper right quadrant have lost a disproportionate share of jobs, relative to the total United States, and have unemployment rates higher than the national unemployment rate. States falling in the lower left quadrant have unemployment rates job losses (or even gains) lower than the national average.



### STATE QUICK FACTS

		Ohio	United States
<b>Unemployment Rates</b> .....	April 2009	10.0%	8.9%
	April 2010	10.3%	9.9%
	April 2011	8.8%	9.0%
	April 2012	7.4%	8.1%
<b>Percent of Population Who Are Veterans</b> .....	2011	10.0%	9.4%
<b>All Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	10.7%	8.3%
<b>Post-9/11 Veterans' Unemployment Rate</b> .....	2011	19.4%	12.1%
<b>Median Household Income</b> .....	2007	\$ 51,631	\$ 52,823
	(2010 \$)	2010	\$ 49,445
<b>Poverty Rate</b> .....	2007	12.8%	12.5%
	2010	15.3%	15.1%
<b>No Health Insurance</b> .....	2007	11.7%	15.3%
	2010	13.7%	16.3%